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## OLD FASHIONED HOMECOMING

AT CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

## Brookmeade Dedication

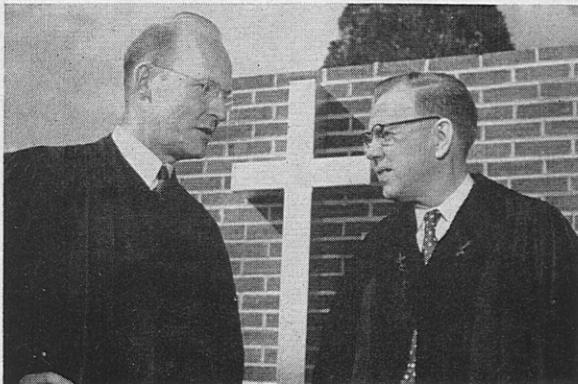
The modern new Brookmeade Church in Nashville, Tenn., was formally dedicated in an impressive service on the afternoon of May 22.

Dr. John F. McClelland of Silver Spring, Md., represented the Congregational Christian Board of home Missions for the day, and preached the morning sermon. Dr. Nels F. S. Ferre of Vanderbilt School of Religion, gave the dedicatory address in the afternoon. The Rev. Erston M. Butterfield led the dedication litany after J. B. H. Trainer, a member of the congregation, had formally presented the building.

Dr. Kendrick Grobel, also of Vanderbilt School of Religion, gave the dedicatory prayer. Greetings from the National Laymen's Fellowship were extended by Walter A. Graham, national director.

The modern design building will ultimately be the community center of the church plant. Members of the congregation have done the construction themselves during the past year, under the direction and leadership of the pastor, the Rev. Talmage Hartman.

A reception was held after the dedication service, and Mrs. Coulter served the punch to the members, guests, and visitors from the community.



Dr. John F. McClelland and Dr. Nels F. S. Ferre



Jules Durham, Walter Graham, and A. B. Snell looking at album of building progress.

## Church Builders Club First Presentation

On August 14 the Church Builders' Club will meet in Douglas, Ga., for its first presentation service, which will be made to the Douglas Church.

Officers and members are hoping that the goal of 1,000 members will be realized by that date.

Services will begin in the afternoon, following a barbecue to be held on the site of the new church at 1308 North Madison Avenue. The First Methodist Church of Douglas has offered the use of their facilities for the impressive presentation service.

## South Georgia Meeting

Traditionally, the South Georgia Association meets in the spring and this year's meeting was held May 28-29 at Friendship Church in Baxley, Ga. Churches represented by the fifty delegates were: Bristol Antioch, Baxley Friendship, Pearson Union Hill, Waycross Williams Chapel, Douglas, Tifton, Vanceville and Columbus United.

The spirit of the meeting was excellent, and the association was reorganized so that committees conform to the Convention committees.

A fine sermon was preached on Saturday evening by Chaplain Charles Pegram of Camp Gordon, Ga.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. W. S. Wood; Moderator elect, H. Y. Sears; Scribe, W. C. Carpenter, Jr.; Assistant Scribe, Mrs. J. E. Tyner.

## Rev. Morris Honored

Among the group of outstanding professional educators initiated in Athens, Georgia, on Saturday, May 14th, into the Gamma Mu Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa was the Rev. Scott Morris, Jr., of Braselton and Gainesville, pastor of the North Georgia Parish and a teacher in the Gainesville high school.

Phi Delta Kappa is the largest and oldest professional fraternity for men in education, and its members are selected on the basis of outstanding performance in the areas of school leadership, service and research.

Mr. Morris was among the fifty educators in Georgia selected to become charter members of the Gamma Mu Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa.

Besides his pastoral duties Mr. Morris teaches sociology and economics in the Gainesville high school.

## Dekoven Meeting

The Missions Council's annual meeting on Our Christian World Mission will be held in Racine, Wis., June 5-10. National committees meet on June 9, and the planning meeting on the joint Every Member Canvass Clinic begins June 6.

The Southeast Convention will be represented at this important national meeting by the Rev. Lowell A. Smoot and Mrs. Ed. A. Albright.

# MISSIONARY SPEAKERS – OUR GUESTS

During June, July and August the Southeast Convention will be honored by having three "world citizens" as missionary speakers.

The Rev. I. R. H. Gnanadason of South Travancore, India, attended the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference at Pomona, June 5-10.

Miss Anna Carol Kingdon, niece of Mrs. Douglas Horton and recently returned from India, will attend the Wadley Junior and Senior High Conferences, the Alabama Women's Retreat, and will also speak at Atlanta Center, LaGrange United, Chipley Oak Grove and several other churches in July.

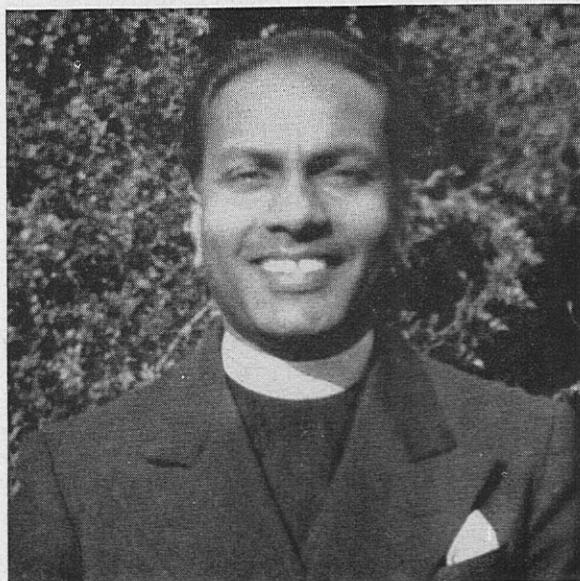
Mr. Gnanadason is an ordained minister, a fourth generation Christian whose father and grandfather were both in the ministry. He is a presbyter of the Church of South India working in Neyyoor, in the South Travancore Diocese. Mr. Gnanadason aids the National Missionary Society of India as an Honorary Provincial Secretary, the Tamiland Theological College as an examiner and the Area Liturgy Committee of the Church of South India as its convener.

After spending two terms in Selly Oak Colleges in England, where they were sent by their diocese, the Gnanadasons travelled in England and here in the United States. They have a son and daughter, nine and four, whom they have left in India. Mrs. Gnanadason will go back to India after this summer, but Mr. Gnanadason will stay on for further study this fall at Chicago Theological Seminary under a Church World Fellowship.

Born in Puunene, Maui, Hawaii, with grandparents who were missionaries in Korea, Miss Anna Carol Kingdon comes naturally by a feeling of "World-citizenship" which led her into Christian service in India from 1952-54.

She went to India as a student representative on a fellowship from Oberlin for two years teaching in Lady Doak College for girls, located in Madurai, a center of education and religious activity for many Christians and Hindus.

During her stay in India Miss Kingdon visited



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many kinds of homes. Not only did she teach English and ethics, but directed a choir, plays, and helped in various dramatic productions.

Miss Kingdon returns with a sympathetic story of college life in India and of the aspirations and problems of Indian students as well as the needs of the Christian institutions of higher learning. She will take graduate work at Oberlin College this fall.

## Social Action Institute

An institute will be held at Southern Union College, June 20-21 which is sponsored by the Council of Social Action with the cooperation of the Southeast Convention and the Convention of the South.

Institute leaders will be the Rev. Herman Reising, secretary of International Relations of the Council of Social Action, and Dr. John Reuling, secretary for Africa and Mexico of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

Registration begins at ten o'clock Monday morning, and luncheon will be served in the College dining hall. The institute will close at ten o'clock Tuesday morning. There is no charge for rooms and meals, as the Council for Social Action assumes your entertainment expenses while attending the institutes.

Theme of the institute will be "The Church and International Relations". Ministers and interested lay people of the Southeast Convention are urged to attend and learn more of the total work of our denomination.



MISS ANNA C. KINGDON



The strongest challenge to youth will always be to strive for the more beautiful things in life and to live in the spirit of freedom and discovery.

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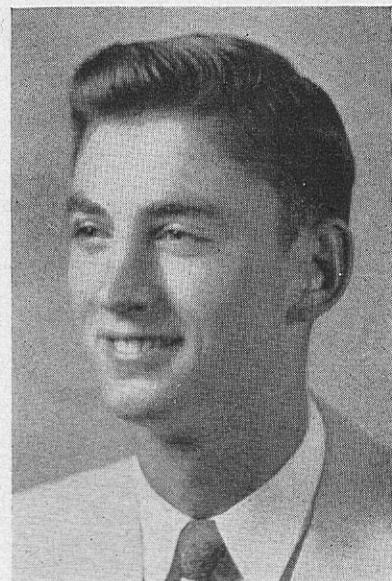
## News - What Is It?

Dear Friends:

Each month when the news reports from churches of the convention begin arriving in the mail, I feel like saying "bless you" to each faithful church reporter who sends us news of the church, for the magazine. It is my job, and pleasure to type these for the printer, and I always enjoy reading of the projects, special programs, and records of progress in the churches. It's the next best thing to visiting the church and getting to know the people personally.

My only regret is that some churches do not send any news. Won't you get together and appoint a church reporter, or ask your pastor to write us now and then, telling us about YOUR church? Of course some months there is just the regular church program, and you may not feel that enough is going on to send in a report. But if the reporter keeps up with the work of the women, the laymen and the young people, and the plans of the church officers for the future, there is bound to be something special or different going on in your church almost every month. It is these special programs, activities and projects which we would like to have you share with all the rest of us so we can rejoice with you and learn from your successes. Names are important too--be sure to mention the names of those who are giving unselfishly of their time and energies to help the pastor and the church in its program.

We have had some criticism that most of our church news is "stale" or "old". If each reporter will keep in mind that the copy for the magazine is typed for the printer the **last week** of each month, that it takes two weeks to get the magazine back and mailed out, and thus send in your news by the 20th of each month **FOR THAT MONTH AND FOR EVENTS PLANNED FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTH**, we can be more up to date. Sometimes news must be cut down or left out because it is more than two months old when re-



MILLARD FULLER

## Millard Fuller - PF President 1953-56

(This is the first in a series of articles introducing our officers of the Southeast Convention Pilgrim Fellowship.)

Millard Dean Fuller was born January 3, 1935, in Lanett, Ala. His father is Render Fuller, a deacon in the Lanett Church, and his mother is president of the Women's Fellowship of East Alabama Association. He has two brothers.

After graduating from Lanett High School, Millard entered Auburn School of Agricultural Engineering, completing his sophomore year. He is an active member of the Auburn Baseball Team.

Another of Millard's many activities is Junior Achievement, a national non-profit corporation designed to teach young Americans the principles of American business.

As president of the Southeast Convention, PF, Millard has been the leader in dividing the area into districts for local PF rallies, helped plan the first convention PF Conference at Lanett, and attended the National Council of PF in 1954.

He teaches a ninth grade Sunday School class in his home church in Lanett.

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ceived, and would be more than three months old when printed. An exception to this is when a church sends in a report covering several months or even a year and the material has not been used previously.

Our goal for the coming year is to have **ALL** churches represented in the church news . . . won't you help us by appointing someone as church reporter, and also appoint a subscription chairman to solicit subscriptions to the **SOUTHEAST NEWS**?

Montez Albright

# THE SUPERINTENDENT'S PAGE

## YIELD NOT TO TEMPTATION!

Remember the old hymn, "Yield not to temptation for yielding is sin"? For some reason its words and music have been echoing in the back of my mind all day. I've been trying to work up courage to use part of my page to ask some questions-- questions which must one day be answered with an enthusiastic and glorious "yes" if we are to achieve self-support in the Southeast Convention and fulfill our destiny in "Our Christian World Mission". In spite of what might be warnings from the words of the old hymn, here they are:

1. Is your church sending in regular monthly contributions to the Convention for Our Christian World Mission, so that we may ever more effectively work together here in our own Southland and among many peoples in far-away places. (Our goal is to average 10c per member per week. Does your giving come close to that goal?)

2. Is your church one of those which has already finished paying its pledge to the National Church Building Loan Fund campaign; or will you be completing payments before next September?

3. Now that the Church Builders' Club is swinging into action, have you joined the club and have you succeeded in enrolling enough members of your church and community to equal 25% of your total membership?

4. Do you have a committee in your church to keep the congregation informed of the great opportunities and demands which face Christian people in these days, and to inspire them to fulfill the commands of Christ in their own lives, and the everyday life of the church and community?

There now, I've done it! But I had to, for so much depends upon the answer that only you can give. What are the answers to those four questions for your church? If you have to say "no" to any of them, start working with your pastor, board and committees (and the whole congregation) to change that "no" to a proud and happy "yes!"

But the old song is still ringing in my ears, recalling the words of some wise man who said that the three greatest temptations of the common man are to **whine**, to **shine**, and to **recline**. "Yield not to temptation" or our work together in the church, the convention, and the world is doomed! It's so easy to yield to the temptation to **whine** when things don't go just the way we think they should. And in our whining we find all kinds of petty little excuses for not doing the things we know we ought to do-- like accepting the job of teaching that Sunday School Class, or sharing in a "work day" at the church, or singing in the choir, or getting out to the midweek service, or deciding to give proportionately and more regularly to the church and its Kingdom work, or 1,000 and one other good ventures which we would undertake with Christ-- if only we didn't yield to the temptation to **whine**.

And that temptation to **shine**. That's a big



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one. We're only human; we all like to be in the limelight, get our due credit, and let folks know we're around. Trouble is, some folks insist on shining so much that everybody is blinded to the things that really count. When we yield to the temptation to **shine**, we are thinking too much of our own feelings, our own way, our own desires; and not thinking enough of others' feelings and desires, or God's way for our lives. The selfish temptation to **shine** can wreck a family, a friendship or a church.

The temptation to **recline** is almost as great as the temptation to **whine** or **shine**. Have you ever heard folks (other folks, that is) in your church say things like: "Let John do it", "We're doing good enough", "We've done more than our share already", "We've never done that before", "Let's just wait and see", or "We'll give what we gave last year". Have you? And when they do all good work suffers. Strange, though, that some of these same people wonder why the church isn't growing like it should, isn't doing more good, and doesn't seem to be so important in their lives.

"Yield not to temptation for yielding is sin"! Let's make up our minds right now that we will not **whine**. We'll not insist on **shining**. We will not take it easy and **recline**. We've got too much work to do for God-- in His church, and in His world. We'll pray for strength equal to the task and march on together-- "On to the New Day."

Erston M. Butterfield

Success is not so much in lifting yourself above others as in lifting others

with you. ~~~~~

# PILGRIM FELLOWSHIP

(Beginning with this issue of SOUTHEAST NEWS, the Pilgrim Fellowship will have a separate page. It will take the cooperation of all PFers to make this experiment a success. All reporters should send all local, district and Convention news about PF to Miss Martha Starrett, 1080 Los Angeles Ave., N. E., Atlanta 6, Ga., and she will edit it for this page.)

## WORK CAMP AT SOUTHERN UNION

For the first time there will be a Work Camp this summer in the Southeast Convention, from July 31st to August 6 at Southern Union College in Wadley, Ala.

Four members of the Work Camp Planning Committee, Supt. Erston M. Butterfield, President Clyde C. Flannery, the Rev. Annie Campbell and Martha Starrett, met May 17 at Central Church in Atlanta to plan the program.

There will be approximately 25 boys and girls between the ages of 16 and 21, and the cost will be \$10.50. Reveille will be at 5:00 A. M., followed by a worship service, breakfast and then four hours of work. A cooling dip in the pool before lunch, and then a two-hour rest period will be followed by trips to such places as Tuskegee, Lake Martin, and Horseshoe Bend in the afternoons. After supper there will be Vespers, recreation, and discussion groups. Lights will go out at 9:30 P. M. Detailed information and schedules will go out to all churches, along with application blanks.

## PF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS

A meeting of the executive board of the Southeast Convention Pilgrim Fellowship was held May 5th at Pilgrim Church in Chattanooga. Those present were Millard Fuller, Mary Stewart, Inas Dillard, Iris Cole, Martha Starrett, Betty Slater, and the Rev. Annie Campbell. A delicious luncheon was provided by Jas. M. Gager.

Next year's Southeast Conference, visitation of churches, regular news coverage, fund and site for a Congregational Camp, explanation of organization of Pilgrim Fellowship, a summer work camp, and the budget were some of the topics discussed.

The officers of the convention PF will be available for visitation in the various churches to meet with the young people for discussion and advice on problems of each group. Pastors of churches which would like to have an officer visit them will please send your requests to Millard Fuller and an assignment will be made to you as soon as possible. A portion of the travel expenses will come from an offering taken up in the church, if possible, and the remainder will be absorbed from the PF convention treasury.

## CHRISTIAN LIFE CONFERENCE

The Christian Life Conference of the South Alabama-Northwest Florida Pilgrim Fellowship was held April 16-17 in the Andalusia, Antioch Church.

Workshop sessions were held Saturday afternoon on the Three Commissions: FAITH, Shirley

Wilcox, chairman; ACTION, Loretta Merrill, chairman; and FELLOWSHIP, Patty Carter, chairman.

After a picnic supper and Vesper Service led by the Blackwood PF group, there were stunts by each group, songs, etc., and the evening ended with a showing of the film, "The Hidden Heart."

Officers were elected as follows: President, Lenora McCallum of Dorcas, Crestview; Vice-president, Rayburn Kennedy of Headland; Secretary, Loretta Merrill of Andalusia Antioch; and Treasurer, Annie Ruth Hathaway, Caryville, Fla.

Nominated as chairmen of the three commissions were: FAITH, Pat Carter; FELLOWSHIP, Carolyn Hicks; ACTION, Betty Sue Baisden.

## CENTRAL PF RALLY

The first Central District meeting of PF was held at East Tallassee Church May 28-29.

The Rev. Annie Campbell and Millard Fuller led the discussion on the three commissions: **Faith**, **Action** and **Fellowship**. Barbara Fralic and Betty Blakely gave reports from the discussion groups.

Officers elected were: Bobby Jack Pemberton, president; Bobbie Jean McGaillard, vice president; Mary Ann Pemberton, secretary; Josephine Brown, treasurer; Connie Culpepper, reporter. Commission chairmen elected were: Faith, Jessie Cannon; Action, Donald Wilson; and Fellowship, Lena Thrower. Rev. Otto Culpepper is adult advisor.

Next meeting is scheduled for Aug. 28 at Seman Community Church.

The rally closed with a communion service conducted by the Reverends Thomas Shreve and Herbert Long, assisted by four people as deacons.

—Connie Culpepper, reporter

## SOUTH GEORGIA RALLY

A rally of the South Georgia young people was held on Sunday, May 15, at Douglas with 51 young people present representing Tifton, Vanceville, Ambrose, Douglas and Waycross. Adult advisors and pastors present totaled thirteen. A nominating committee was appointed to prepare a slate of officers for the June meeting, scheduled June 19 at Ambrose.

Douglas R. Henley of Chattanooga was elected president of the Kentucky-Tennessee PF for the year of 1955-56 at the Spring Rally held April 16 at Robbins, Tenn. A sophomore and member of the "Bank's Club" at City High, Doug also swims with the Chattanooga Aquatic Club. He will work this summer as a counselor in the YMCA day camps in Chattanooga.

—Mrs. Ralph C. Gregg, PF counselor

The young people of Hunt Church in Alexander City sponsored an April Shower Party April 22, held in the Youth Fellowship Hall. It was a "backward party" with everyone dressing backward and all games and meals served backward. The object of the party was to raise funds to tile the Fellowship Hall and church school rooms. The result was fun for all and \$82 for the tile fund.

—Gloria Blair

## HOMECOMING

Arriving at the church in a horse-drawn buggy, the Rev. Matthew B. Porter and Mrs. Porter were greeted by members and friends of Atlanta Center Church dressed in old fashioned costumes in celebration of Homecoming Day on May 29.

Former pastors of the church present were the Reverends W. Carl Parker, J. E. Cook, and also present was the Rev. R. E. Newton of Luray, Va., son of the founder of the church, the Rev. Howell E. Newton.

The story of Mr. Newton's life is typical of the struggles of many in the South following the War Between the States. He had never worn a pair of "store shoes" until he was 14 years old. At twenty he determined to become a preacher; but was 23 years old before he had his first formal schooling of any kind, and was a lay preacher for many years. Records show that he entered the old Atlanta Theological Seminary in 1901 at the age of 50.

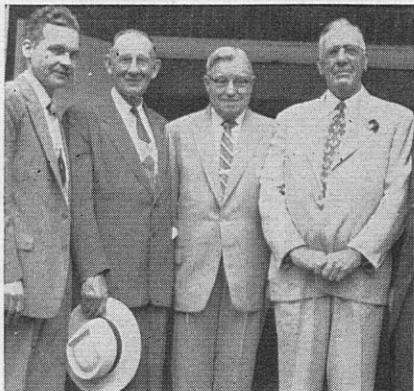
In connection with the celebration there was a historical exhibit, including the pulpit rescued from the fire which destroyed the old church building in 1941.

The lot on which Center Church now stands was deeded to the Trustees Jan. 23, 1895 by Harriett M. Cox in consideration of the sum of \$75. It is reported that the money was immediately returned to the church by Mrs. Cox as a donation.

Since the deeding of the lot indicates that Center Church was a going concern in 1895, the church evidently had been formally organized some years previously and 1887 has been suggested as the probable date of its founding.

An old school building was used by the church for some years, then torn down and the first church building erected on the lot sometime between 1897 and 1900. It was a small frame building painted white with a belfrey and bell. In 1910 a five room frame parsonage was built. This church, parsonage and most of the church records were destroyed by fire on June 13, 1941.

The present charming building was dedicated in a memorial service held on May 1, 1949, as the result of faith and courage of the members, and a loan of \$3,000 from the Congregational Church Building Society.



Reverends McAdams, Cook, Newton and Parker

## Circuit Riding

On April 16 I was honored to join the Rev. Leilia Anderson in her modern version of the old "circuit riders", Mr. Frank Gordon went along too, to talk with the laymen of the churches visited, while I talked with the women's groups.

We visited four churches in the three days we were riding: Society Hill, Fredonia, Hebron and Jones Chapel. The groups which met us at each church were interested in learning more about all organizations of the church. The women were already organized and were eager for more information about the Women's Fellowship. We are hoping our ministers will become better informed on this phase of the work so they will be more able to advise and encourage women in the churches.

I urged each group to send representatives to our Georgia Retreat to be held in Waycross August 18-19, and am grateful for the opportunity of visiting with the women in those four churches.

—Mrs. H. Y. Sears, President  
Georgia Women's Fellowship

It was a great privilege to accompany Miss Leilia Anderson and Mrs. Sears in visits to five Georgia churches April 16, 17 and 18; and later to accompany Miss Anderson and the Rev. Annie Campbell on visits to the County Line and Sardis churches on May 1.

While at present the men at these churches are not organized, they have been doing a great deal to improve their church property. At Society Hill and Crest Hebron, their efforts have resulted in sanctuaries that are exceptional. If these and all other churchmen were organized, with regular reports being submitted, the accomplishments of the men would be as well known as the work of the women in the churches.

The warm reception extended and the hospitality of the churches visited was inspiring and greatly appreciated. We did not feel like strangers, but as members of one church family.

—W. Frank Gordon, President  
Southeast Convention Laymen's Fellowship

## Ky.-Tenn. Rally

The Spring Rally for Women's Fellowships of the Kentucky-Tennessee Conference was held at the Daisy Church on April 7. The Soddy women were co-hostesses.

The rally was a success, with five churches represented and 35 persons present. Reports indicated that the women of Kentucky-Tennessee had engaged in many activities this past year.

Mrs. David Hill led in the dedication of the Woman's Gift, which totaled \$282.97. Miss Miriam Heermans directed the installation of new officers for 1956-58: Mrs. Lowell Smoot, president; Mrs. Arnold Slater, vice-president; Mrs. Claude Pendergrass, secretary; Mrs. R. G. Obrecht, treasurer; Mrs. Viola Cunningham, Woman's Gift chairman; Miss Miriam Heermans, Friendly Service chairman; and Mrs. Edward Cummins and Mrs. Paul Davenport, members-at-large.

—Mrs. Claude Pendergrass

# Church News . . .

The North Georgia Parish, comprised of Oxford Sardis, Duncan's Creek, Braselton Macedonia, and Bowman Liberty, held its semiannual parish meeting at Sardis Church on May 1 with a large number of representatives from the four churches present.

The program began with Sunday School, with Harvey Eddleman as Superintendent. The morning worship and sermon was led by the pastor of the parish, the Rev. Scott Morris, Jr., and included Holy Communion with the deacons from all the churches aiding in the service.

Lunch was spread on tables in the church lawn with the Sardis Women's Auxiliary acting as hostesses. The afternoon program included hymn singing, a devotional by the children from Sardis, reports from the women's auxiliaries, from the churches on their progress, and messages from the Rev. Annie Campbell, Miss Lelia Anderson, and W. F. Gordon.

As evidence of its continuing progress, the parish report compiled by the pastor showed the largest budget the parish has ever had. The report carried income and expenditures from September 1954 through April 1955.

On May 1 Williams Chapel Church celebrated the 23rd anniversary of the church and Homecoming Day, beginning with Sunday School and continuing with morning worship with a sermon by our pastor, the Rev. Ashley E. Hobbs.

Dinner was served on the church lawn and an afternoon service consisted of singing and short talks by three of our former pastors, the Reverends Carl Parker, N. A. Long and R. H. Booth.

A good time was had by all as we renewed old acquaintances and greeted friends from near and far. This was our largest homecoming, and we had 131 for Sunday School with others coming in later - so many were unable to seat them all or count them. Our building fund is growing and we hope to have a new church before too much longer.

—Mrs. C. H. Griffin, reporter

The Ladies Guild of Daisy Church will sponsor the Vacation Bible School, with Mrs. Paul Lewis, Mrs. Claude Pendergras and Mrs. Ruth Sanders in charge. Study materials have been ordered and the date set for June 13-17.

The Loyal Alert Class sponsored a spring clean-up job for the church. Classrooms have been re-decorated -- all with donated labor. The ladies served coffee and cake to the workers.

The Daisy Church sent three representatives to the Annual Meeting of the Convention in Atlanta: Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Orr and Mrs. Mildred Burke. They returned with good reports on the meeting.

—Mrs. Claude Pendergrass, reporter

The Evarts Church began the year by paying off the note on the Hammond organ which was purchased in April 1954. Dedication service for the organ, which adds so much to the worship, was held March 27, the first anniversary of its being placed in the church.

The church lost a member of long standing and great faithfulness on January 20, in the death of Mrs. H. F. Thacker.

Church Builders Day was observed on February 20, and ten new members joined the club.

The Thrift Shop has done many good things for the church this year. It paid \$1,108 on the organ, bought a heater for the church basement, a sump pump for the furnace room of the church, two dozen folding chairs for the church, paid for the sanding and finishing of the floors in the church, had the sewer system at the parsonage repaired, repaired the parsonage furnace and helped buy paint for the parsonage. The Thrift Shop serves a double purpose - -it helps people get good used clothing for a small sum, and helps the church. We are grateful to the churches across the country who send garments to us for our Thrift Shop.

March 15 was a great day for us. We had a Family Fellowship supper and James Price spoke to the group and met with the Pilgrim Fellowship in a later session. Miss Mildred Widber, who was to have been with us too, was unable to make connections due to the telephone strike and the L. & N. Railroad strike which began March 14.

The Rev. Hugh Lasseter of Robbins preached during our Holy Week Services April 3-8, with services each evening. Students in the high school were granted permission to attend church services three mornings during the week. Three new members united with the church on confession of faith and much interest was created.

Our church, choir and pastor participated in the country-wide Easter Sunrise Service.

Twelve members of our Junior and Senior Pilgrim Fellowship attended the Kentucky-Tennessee PF Rally in Robbins April 16. Our church was represented at the Annual Meeting of the Southeast Convention by two delegates, C. L. Howard and the pastor.

The Pilgrim Circuit Rider, the Rev. Lelia Anderson, was with us May 7-8. She met with the women on Saturday evening, spoke at the church school Sunday morning, met with the Church School staff in the afternoon, and spoke and showed slides of our mission work at the evening service. She helped us with many suggestions and inspired us to greater efforts in the work of the church.

—Collie Seymour, pastor

Mrs. Joe A. French was given a surprise birthday party by the Missionary Auxiliary of Lanett Church on May 14. Miss Kate Hill, social chairman, planned the occasion and Mrs. French received many nice gifts from the 42 ladies and girls present.

June 1-10 is the date set for Vacation Bible School, and Mrs. Bobby McClure will serve as the superintendent.

The Rev. Clyde L. Fields of Franklin, Va., will preach for us in our Evangelistic Services June 15-26.

A plan for friendly family visitation has been started during May.

The pastor, the Rev. French is teaching a most

interesting and instructive course which may be taken for credit on "The Bible and its Books" by C. G. Sewall. Classes are held each Wednesday evening, and were begun May 4.

Mrs. A. D. Harry was recently elected president of the local Council of Church Women, and presided at the May fellowship service.

April was the beginning of another church attendance campaign that will continue through September. S. W. Seymour and William Harry were awarded certificates for attendance through Easter as the oldest and youngest with perfect attendance.

It is good to have our organist, Mrs. Posey Sorrell, back with us again after her illness.

—Mrs. A. D. Harry, reporter

**Andalusia Antioch Church** observed National Family Week Sunday May 8. The morning worship service was conducted by the women of the church with Mrs. Berry preaching the sermon. The theme was "Me and My House" Will Serve the Lord."

The PF had a Hillbilly party at the parsonage this month, playing games and folk dancing. On May 26 they met at the parsonage to put a new floor in the back porch, enjoying a swimming party after the work was finished.

—Winnie Dye, reporter

The WMS of Dadeville Elder Church held a surprise package tea in the activity room in April. Refreshments were served and the packages sold for 50c each. Over \$40 was realized from this and a good time was had by everyone.

On May 1 the Home Demonstration Club women had the devotional for the Sunday School hour, and a short memorial service was held. After a basket lunch, the Rev. Donald Ross, pastor, was ordained in a most impressive service. Everyone was pleased to have the Rev. Ross's parents from Dayton, Ohio, present for this occasion.

**Roanoke Rock Springs Church** held its Memorial services on May 8. Supt. Butterfield preached

the morning sermon, and the Rev. John Dollar, pastor, conducted the afternoon services after a bountiful dinner was served on the church lawn.

Graves were beautifully decorated, with appropriate services, before the morning service.

The **Chipley Oak Grove PF** presented a "stunt night" at the Oak Grove school on May 13, under the direction of Mrs. Julian Hagler, with a profit of more than \$50.

The congregation is planning extensive repairs to the interior of the church, following the recommendations that Dr. Harry Atkinson made during a recent visit to the church.

Homecoming services will be held July 17, with revival services the following week.

A Memorial Day program was held by the **Lineville New Harmony Church** on May 1. The Scripture was read by E. C. Devaughn and Ross McCormack gave the prayer. Children who participated in the service were: Joyce Handley, Priscilla McCormack, Thelma McDonald, Lindal Devaughn, Shirley and Linda Stephens, Brenda Mitchell, Vivian Robertson, Yvonne Fetner, Sandra Morris, Edward Gates, Jimmy Handley, Robert Lewis Dean, Joyce Handley, Wanda Lou Jordan, Roland Deal, Mary Ann Watts and Gwen Pennington.

The congregation gathered at the cemetery for decoration of graves, and then returned to the church for the eleven o'clock service and a sermon by Supt. Erston M. Butterfield.

## Our First Work Camp

Senior High young people will be interested to know that officers of the Southeastern Convention Pilgrim Fellowship are sponsoring a Work Camp this summer in our own area for all young people in the Southeast Convention and perhaps a few from other places. The date is July 31 - Aug. 6, following the Senior High Conference, and the cost will be \$10.50. However, if a young person has attended the Senior High Conference or the Ken-

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ROANOKE ROCK SPRINGS



LINEVILLE NEW HARMONY

# OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION

A report on giving to Our Christian World Mission is included in the magazine so that churches may know how the Convention stands to date. The difference between the "goal for January through June" column (6 months) and the "paid January through May" column will indicate the amount of your church's goal for June-- which will be the usual June pledge plus any contributions not sent in during the past five months.

Mimeographed sheets in more detail are being mailed out to each church for your convenience, and so that our records may be checked against those of the church treasurer. If any errors are noted, please write at once to the Convention office calling them to our attention.

Church	Goal Jan.-June	Paid Jan.-May
<b>CENTRAL ALABAMA ASSOCIATION</b>		
Clanton East View	\$ 15.00	
East Tallassee	254.76	205.20
Eclectic Union	12.00	2.00
Eclectic Watson Chapel... (cancelled)	20.00	
Mt. Creek Union	15.00	pd. '54
Seman Balm of Gilead	18.00	15.00
Seman Community	12.50	10.00
Tallassee Mt. Olive	50.00	20.00
Thorsby United	125.00	100.00
		15.50 OGH
	<b>\$487.26</b>	<b>\$387.70</b>

## EAST ALABAMA ASSOCIATION

Alexander City Antioch		
Alexander City Hunt	30.00	25.00
Ashland Bethel	72.00	
Cragford Mt. Carmel		
Dadeville Elder	35.00	26.00
Daviston McGuire's Chapel		
Delta Wesley's Chapel	12.50	6.00
Five Pts. State Line		
Goodwater Oak Hill		
LaFayette Pleas. Grove	30.00	40.00
LaGrange Hillside (Ga.)	75.00	75.00
Lanett	750.00	350.00
Lanett Highway	30.00	25.00
Langdale	400.00	292.45
		40.00 S. U.
Lineville Dingler's Chap.	12.50	6.00
Lineville New Harmony	24.00	61.00
Lineville Shady Grove	12.50	10.00
Lineville Spring Hill	17.50	20.00
Phenix City United	200.00	166.65
Roanoke First	150.00	125.00
Roanoke Antioch	102.00	68.00
Roanoke Bethany		
Roanoke Forest Home	30.00	15.00
Roanoke Lowell	30.00	25.00
Roanoke Mt. Zion	30.00	15.00
Roanoke New Hope		
Roanoke Rock Springs		
Roanoke Rock Stand	30.00	30.00
Shawmut Todd	60.00	45.00

Wadley	90.00	150.00 S. U.
		66.00 OGH
Wadley Beulah	30.00	20.00
Wadley Corinth		
Wedowee Caver's Grove		
Wedowee Noonday	30.00	
West Point Bethel (Ga.)	60.00	40.00
	<b>\$2,343.00</b>	<b>\$1,742.10</b>

## NORTH ASSOCIATION

Arley Robertson's Chapel	10.00	8.00
Birmingham Pilgrim	150.00	65.00 OGH
Garden City	91.00	61.15
Hackleburg Fairview	12.50	
Haleyville Union Grove	12.50	6.00
Houston Liberty Hill	12.00	4.00
Moulton Bethlehem	12.50	10.40
Moulton Jones Chapel	12.50	
Steele Mt. Lebanon	12.00	
Steppville Mt. Grove	37.50	33.75
Town Creek Liberty	10.00	
Trinity Caddo	12.50	12.00
	<b>\$385.00</b>	<b>\$200.30</b>

## SOUTH ALABAMA - NORTHWEST FLORIDA

Andalusia Antioch	108.00	72.00
		11.38 OGH
Andalusia Coldwater		
Andalusia First	30.00	
Andalusia New Home		
Brantley Parish	10.00	5.00
Brantley Liberty	10.00	20.00
Clio New Hope	60.00	30.00
Headland Blackwood	63.00	37.53
Midland City	13.50	27.00
Baker Good Hope	60.00	50.00
Baker Pyron's Chapel	30.00	25.00
Bonifay New Effort	61.20	51.75
Crestview Dorcas	60.00	40.00
	<b>\$505.70</b>	<b>\$364.66</b>

## GEORGIA-SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Ambrose Christian	\$ 30.00	\$ 25.00
Atlanta Center	90.00	60.00
		26.50 OGH
Atlanta Central	1,000.00	833.34
		109.50 OGH
Barnesville Fredonia	60.00	50.00
Baxley Friendship	90.00	45.00
Bowman Liberty	15.00	7.50
Braselton Macedonia	12.00	6.00
Bristol Antioch	12.00	
Buford Duncan's Creek	18.00	18.00
Chipley Oak Grove	120.00	100.00
Columbus First	66.00	128.00
Columbus United		25.00
Crest Hebron	72.00	48.00
Demorest Federated	200.00	150.00
		59.50 OGH
Doerun New Light		
Doerun Poplar Arbor	30.00	
Douglas First	18.00	12.00
Enigma Christian	37.50	37.50

Fort Valley First .....	24.00	16.00
Fort Valley Society Hill .....	12.50	9.00
Gaillard Pleasant Hill .....	30.00	30.00
Hampton County Line .....	650.00	144.75
LaGrange United .....		35.00
Meansville Cong'l .....		
Meansville Liberty .....	50.00	
Oxford Sardis .....	100.00	75.00
Pearson Union Hill .....		7.38 OGH
Richland First .....	30.00	15.00
Richland Providence .....	15.00	
The Rock Bethany .....	12.00	46.10
Tifton First .....	48.00	11.00
		2.00 S. U.
Tifton Vanceville .....	50.00	27.00
Waycross Wms. Chapel .....	90.00	45.00
		4.75
Woodbury Jones Chapel .....	60.00	30.00
Charleston Circular .....	440.00	243.11
	\$3,482.00	\$2,497.00

#### KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

Corbin Pilgrim .....	60.00	55.00
Evarts First .....	125.00	157.00
Stearns Community .....		
Chattanooga Pilgrim .....	925.00	625.00
		68.00 S. U.
		50.00 Atl.
		Sem.
		64.00 OGH
Crossville First .....	132.00	132.00
		50.00 OGH
Daisy First .....	60.00	50.00
Deer Lodge .....	24.00	16.00
Glen Mary .....	18.00	12.00
Robbins Barton Chapel .....	38.00	42.00
Memphis First .....		99.00
Nashville Brookmeade .....		
Pleasant Hill Comm. .....	225.00	225.00
		11.60 OGH
Soddy First .....	75.00	62.50
	\$1,682.00	\$1,720.00

We did not have room to show a column of "Goals for June", as we have in our reports to the churches which will be mimeographed and mailed. However, this column shows the following:

Goal in June, Alabama .....	\$1,466.00
Goal in June, Georgia .....	1,371.00
Goal in June, Ky.-Tenn .....	362.00
Total .....	\$3,199.00

As stated above, this represents the regular June contributions plus any balance not paid during the period —January through May.

Wm. F. Gordon, Treas.

A great man's power is his character. What is yours?

#### Convention Active Pastors

(Several ministers have moved since the Year Book report was sent in last February, and it has been requested that we list pastors and their addresses quarterly, for the information of ministers and subscribers of **Southeast News**.

##### Alabama

Ballard, A. D. Sr., RFD, Tallassee, Ala.  
 Bayne, Vell M., RFD 1, Trinity, Ala.  
 Bell, Chas. W., Wadley, Ala.  
 Berry, Raymond, Rt. 2, Andalusia  
 Chatham, Roy, 611 Murphy Ave., LaGrange, Ga.  
 Colbert, Guy L., 506 Somerville Rd., S.E., Decatur, Ala.  
 Culpepper, Otto, Rt. 1, Tallassee, Ala.  
 Craft, David, Rt. 1, Wedowee, Ala.  
 Dollar, C. Carl, 407 Louina St., Roanoke, Ala.  
 Dollar, John D., Rt. 5, West Point, Ga.  
 Fetner, E. S., P O Box 767, Langdale, Ala.  
 Flannery, Clyde C., Wadley, Ala.  
 Fraser, Jas. A., Valparaiso, Fla.  
 French, Joe A., 516 Eighth St., Lanett, Ala.  
 Griffith, Phillip M., RFD 4, Milton, Fla.  
 Hand, Earl, Rt. 1, Headland, Ala.  
 Hubbard, Lynwood, 105 - 11th Ave., Alexander City, Ala.  
 Knight, Edw. B., 613 Rankin St., Andalusia, Ala.  
 Long, Herbert, East Tallassee, Ala.  
 Long, N. A., Midland City, Ala.  
 Manley, W. Awbrey, Rt. 2, West Point, Ga.  
 Martin, W. A., Cragford, Ala.  
 Nelson, A. C., Rt. 5, West Point, Ga.  
 Nelson, Andrew, Rt. 2, Clanton, Ala.  
 Osborne, Allen, 11 Stone Ave., Roanoke, Ala.  
 Pardy, B. P., Langdale, Ala.  
 Roberts, J. W., RFD 3, Roanoke, Ala.  
 Ross, Donald J., Garden City, Ala.  
 Shelton, Earnest, Rt. 1, Trinity, Ala.  
 Sheppard, Olin E., Mayor's Office, Roanoke, Ala.  
 Shreve, Thos. F., Rt. 1, Tallassee, Ala.  
 Smith, Elmer H., RFD 4, Moulton, Ala.  
 Taylor, John, Wadley, Ala.  
 Van Cleave, A. R., Wadley, Ala.  
 Wadleigh, Allyn K., 1819 No. 8th Ave., Birmingham 3, Ala.  
 Walker, G. Roy, Wadley, Ala.  
 Waugh, Richard, RFD 3, Trinity, Ala.  
 Worley, Rt. 3, Bratley, Ala.  
 Worley, Ralph, Rt. 2, Crestview, Fla.

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#### La Foret Conference

The fifth annual conference of laymen and women will be held at La Foret, Colo., Aug. 14-21.

The program will include a morning Bible Hour for everyone lead by Dr. Allen Wehrli and workshops as follows: Stewardship, Rev. David Sandstrom; Ministry to Migrants, Miss Dortha Weaver; Individual and Family Counseling, Rev. Robert Tinker; Social Action, Miss Lillian Gregory; Minister-lay relationships, Dr. Albert B. Coe.

Interest groups include Drawing and Sketching, Oz Black; Writing Creatively, Mrs. Virginia Milliken; Flora and Fauna, Miss Florence Brumbach; Women's Work, Miss Lillian Gregory; Men's Work or Public Speaking, Walter A. Graham.

## Calling all Campers

For the "best week of your summer" plan now to attend the summer camp or conference nearest you. Summer camp is more than a vacation, it is an investment in your life by some people who believe in you, who want to help you become the kind of person God wants you to be.

You will have a good time, of course, because recreation is part of the camp experience, but it is a good time with a point to it. It's an experiment in living together in democracy and good will and sharing in study, work, play and spiritual growth. Like everything else in life, you receive from this experience in proportion to what you yourself put into it.

Here are the places, the dates, and the programs:

### Wadley Jr. Hi. - July 10-16

The Rev. Herbert Long is dean, and the theme is "New Trails for Christ". Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Berry, Miss Frances Charrier, Rev. Clyde Flannery and Miss Anna Carol Kingdon are among the leaders expected to be present. A special feature of the Jr. Hi. Camp this year is a plan to let small groups take turns with at least one experience of over-night camping, provided they have the permission of their parents. This will be well supervised. Cost will be \$10.50, which includes camp insurance.

### Wadley Sr. Hi. - July 24-30

The Rev. Raymond Berry is dean, and the theme is "PF'ers -- On to the New Day". Among the leaders will be the same missionary, Miss Anna Carol Kingdon and Sally Higginbotham, a SSS worker who has had experience in a Mexico Work Camp and also participated in the California dried fruit project which James Price described. Dr. Colbert will teach a course on Protestantism and the Congregational Christian Churches." Other courses offered will be: "Personal Religious Living," "The Life of Paul" and "Pilgrim Fellowship." There will be a wide variety of interest groups in the afternoon: Recreational Leadership, Newspaper, Drama, Choir, Pre-Induction and Worship.

### Georgia Family Camp - Aug. 14-20.

Dean is the Rev. J. Scott Morris, Jr. Camp is for all ages, but children under 12 must be accompanied by parents. Special courses will be offered to adults: "Ministerial Ethics" with Rev. John Crutcher of Illinois, "Bible" with Dr. Van Cleave, and "Leaders of Youth" with Rev. John Pickens. Senior Highs will have the chance of taking courses for international credit with Series A courses, if they wish, on "The Life of Jesus" or "My Life

Work." Besides Missions, the Junior Highs will have classes on "The Life of Christ" and "Pilgrim Fellowship." There will be a good variety of interest groups including Camp Newspaper, Recreation Planning, Choir, Handwork, Significant Aids to Worship and perhaps swimming lessons for beginners. There will be a Vacation Bible School for children.

It is hoped to have the Rev. James Hess, a former missionary to India, to teach classes to all age groups.

Please note the change in date, necessary because of the camp rental schedule. Instead of August 21-27, the camp will be Aug. 14-20.

Cost will be \$9.50, including insurance.

## Our First Work Camp

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tucky-Tennessee Conference, or is planning to attend the Georgia Conference, and actually needs some scholarships help this might be given up to the amount of five dollars.

For those who are not familiar with the idea of Work Camps, work is done for some group or institution -- work which has some special value or aim in itself. In this instant it will be to serve our Southern Union College. Those who attend pay for the opportunity to work and give and do. They learn skills, take turns at all jobs (boys and girls alike) whether it is digging, painting or cooking. Worship, worthwhile discussions, recreation and some trips of significance are all a part of the plan.

Only a limited number will be accepted for the Work Camp and doctor's certificates will be a must. We want young people who are really in earnest and mean to work. It is a spiritual experience as well as a manual one. Interested young people will be asked to answer the question "why do you wish to attend a work camp?", and will also be expected to give references. If interested, write to the Rev. Annie R. Campbell, 673 Piedmont Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Ga., and request a registration blank.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

We have a few open weeks on our summer schedule for Vacation Bible School teachers through the Student Summer Service program. If you have not yet sent in your application for two summer workers to conduct your school, please write immediately to the Rev. Annie R. Campbell.